

LINCOLN WATER

COMMISSION

SEPTEMBER 8, 2010

The regular monthly meeting of the Lincoln Board of Water Commissioners was held at the Lincoln Water Commission Office with Commissioners Kay, Hadley, Conklin and Pichette present. Also present was Water Superintendent John S. Faile. Water Commission candidate Rene Lapierre and employee Steven Saritelli were also in attendance, as was Stephen Brunelle of 4 Cullen Hill Road. Chairman Smith called to report that he would be a few minutes late, and upon motion of Commissioner Kay, seconded by Commissioner Pichette; Commissioner Conklin was elected Acting Chairman until the Chairman arrived. **APPROVED.**

Acting Chairman Conklin called the meeting to order at 5:30 PM.

Upon motion of Commissioner Pichette, seconded by Commissioner Kay, it was VOTED: To move agenda item 9g to allow Mr. Brunelle to speak. Mr. Brunelle informed the Board that there had been a fire hydrant across from his house located at 3 Cullen Hill Road and when a problem occurred with that hydrant, he was under the impression that the hydrant would be replaced. Instead of replacing the hydrant, it was removed and Mr. Brunelle needed assurance that the reason the hydrant was not replaced was not because the water main is not sufficient enough to accommodate a hydrant. After a very lengthy

discussion, the Board informed Mr. Brunelle that the hydrant will not be replaced at that location but if new development occurs in the area one will be required. The Superintendent informed Mr. Brunelle that the water main in Cullen Hill Road, runs from Walker Street to Manville, and although he cannot predict when a water main will spring a leak, as a PE he states that the structural integrity of this water main is sound.

Commissioner Smith arrived at 5:55 pm during the discussion.

Upon motion of Commissioner Kay, seconded by Commissioner Pichette, it was VOTED: To accept the minutes of the previous meeting. APPROVED

MONTHLY REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

Upon motion of Commissioner Hadley, seconded by Commissioner Pichette, it was VOTED: That the Superintendent's Report for the month of August is accepted and ordered placed on file. APPROVED.

MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT

Upon motion of Commissioner Pichette, seconded by Commissioner Kay, the August 2010 financial report is accepted and will be placed on file for audit. APPROVED

OUTSTANDING BALANCE REPORT

The outstanding balance report for the month of August will be placed on file.

CAPITAL ACCOUNTS

The August 2010 statement of investments, encumbrances, and amounts available for capital projects was presented to the Board.

MONTHLY INVOICES

Upon motion of Commissioner Kay, seconded by Commissioner Pichette Accounts Payable in the amount of \$106,042.40 and Direct Payments in the amount of \$477,605.34 are approved for payment.

APPROVED

ABATEMENTS

Upon motion of Commissioner Conklin, seconded by Commissioner Kay, an abatement of the cost of the installation of a water less the inspection fees in the amount of \$2,194.32 to RJB Properties for services installed at 640 George Washington Highway. APPROVED

ACCOUNT TRANSACTION LIST

The monthly report of account adjustments and transactions will be placed on file.

CORRESPONDENCE

a) Each member received an annual newsletter from the Rhode Island Inter-local Risk Management Trust.

b) Secretary Kay then read a letter from Joseph Picozzi requesting the supply of water to a property at 5 Linfield Drive AP45 Lot 153. Upon motion of Commissioner Kay, seconded by Commissioner Pichette, the supply of water was APPROVED.

c) A letter requesting the rebate of \$200.00 for installing a smart irrigation system from Marc Dupuis of 17 Carriage Drive was read by Secretary Kay. Upon motion of Commissioner Kay, seconded by Commissioner Hadley, the rebate was APPROVED.

d) Documentation of a wire transfer to Wells Fargo Bank, NA in the amount of \$102,349.83 for finance charges for construction drawdown of the loans was presented to the Board.

e) Communication from EnerNOC, presenting the Lincoln Water Commission with a check in the amount of \$167.90 for participating in DemandSMART to help reduce peak demand by implementing generators during periods when the grid is vulnerable to blackouts at the Providence Connection was shown to the Board.

f) Communication from Laborers International Union of North

America informing the Board that the Laborers' Union is forced to impose a 5% surcharge until January 2011 at which time the surcharge will become 10% on Employers' contractual pension payments due to the pension's red zone status was presented to the Board.

g) This item on the agenda was moved to the start of the meeting.

OLD BUSINESS

a) Further discussion with the Lonsdale Fire District regarding the dry hydrant project will take place at a later date, after all DEM permits have been received.

NEW BUSINESS

COMMITTEE REPORTS

CHARTER COMMITTEE

No further action

LABOR SUBCOMMITTEE

Meetings will be scheduled.

SAFETY SUBCOMMITTEE

All members of the utility crew had ICC/DOT physical exams in the

months of August and September.

CLAIMS COMMITTEE

Any recent claims have been handled by the contractor during the cleaning/lining project

Beginning with the October Minimum Billing a note will be placed on the bill that this is the last minimum bill the customers will receive. Henceforth, all customers will be billed twice a year based on consumption.

Upon motion of Commissioner Conklin, seconded by Commissioner Pichette, a new rate schedule will be implemented on January 1, 2011.

APPROVED

Upon motion of Commissioner Hadley, seconded by Commissioner Pichette, it was VOTED: To adjourn to executive session in accordance with RIGL 42-26-5a (1) – 9 to discuss legal and contract negotiations matters at 5:45PM

Upon motion of Commissioner Pichette, seconded by Commissioner Hadley, it was VOTED: to return to the regular meeting.

Upon motion of Commissioner Hadley, seconded by Commissioner

Pichette, it was VOTED: To seal the minutes of the closed session in accordance with RIGL 42-26-7c.

Upon motion of Commissioner Kay, seconded by Commissioner Pichette, it was VOTED: To adjourn at 8:10PM. APPROVED